

Personal Mentions.

Brother I. D. Bowman is at it with the Gospel Hammar.

The Brethren Church at Meyersdale want a pastor. Write to J. M. Olinger.

Brother J. M. Tombaugh promises us a full report of his successful meeting in the Fair Haven congregation.

Bro. Geo. A. Copp of Fisher's Hill, Va., reports successful meetings. Eleven additions in the Mt. Zion church.

Brother J. B. Wampler closed a meeting at Topsail, Pa., with five additions to the church by confession and baptism, and the church greatly revived.

Years ago some one wrote a tract, entitled: "Where is Holsinger?" We need some one to write about fifty tracts, asking the question of as many different persons in the church. Where is —?

Brother Shaver reports a meeting held at Bethlehem, Va., by brother J. Hall of Harrisonburgh, resulting in fifteen additions by baptism. Brother Shaver assisted in the work. Thus the good work is going on.

Brother J. D. McFaden closed a short meeting at Carleton with seven additions, and communion services. He is now engaged in a meeting at a mission point, five miles south of Carleton. Result so far (Nov. 3) five confessions.

Brother J. Allen Miller, Dean of the Theological Department of the University, was installed pastor of the Ashland city church last Sabbath morning. He preached his first sermon as pastor in the evening. It was a masterly discourse.

Brother M. P. Garber brings news that is truly refreshing and inspiring. Brother and sister Flora are doing an excellent work. Thirty-three additions. Surely this is encouraging and while the honor and glory are God's, the faithful servants who conducted the meeting deserve all the words of praise brother Garber bestows upon them.

E. L. Yoder of Morrill, Kansas, has been chosen pastor of the church at Unionville, Iowa, and if certain conditions can be complied with will make semi-monthly visits to that place. He reports having filled two appointments at that place, one on the 14th and the other on the 28th of October. The latter an enjoyable love feast occasion held on Sunday evening.

The meeting at Glenford, O., by the pastor, J. M. Bowman, closed with nine additions. This is a great victory for the Lord through his servant, brother Bowman.

The field is well worked, other denominations have a strong hold on the community, and the success of the meeting is a pleasant surprise to those who know how thoroughly every inch of the ground is disputed by outside influences. Brother Bowman is one of the "workmen that need not be ashamed."

Heathenism never elevates humanity.

Some day the tangles will be all smoothed out.

The schools of the prophets were schools of music.

Of old it was written of some, "Professing themselves to be wise, they became fools;" and nowhere can we find more sublime specimens of human foolishness than among those who have made great professions of wisdom.

"Through faith we understand that the worlds were framed by the word of God." No man was present at the creation of the world, and no man can tell how God created the world unless it has pleased God to reveal it to him.

There are persons who will have nothing to say to an infidel; who say, you can do nothing with a man who does not believe the Bible. But do not infidels need salvation as well as others? When we are bidden to preach the gospel to every creature, are not infidels included?

If we really comprehended the dignity of the individual Christian, or of the church of "two or three" with Christ Jesus in the midst, we should see how needless as well as useless are many of great convocations, where great men do but little, and small men have no chance to do anything.

How many precious experiences and rich blessings people never get because they lean to their own understanding, or fail to obey God on account of their fear to trust him with the results! When God plans a thing, he never fails to "make both ends meet," though we often do. If on the mountain God has told you to do a thing, do not, when you get down into the valley, say, "I can't."

Many a man has got "ordained," and crowded himself into the work of the gospel ministry, only to drag out a weary existence, and sink down in dishonor and disgrace, because he imagined that his own natural abilities were a sufficient qualification for gospel work, without experience, training, or divine grace, and because others, perhaps as unfit and incompetent as he, "ordained" him, and turned him loose on the Church of God to devour bread which he was too lazy to earn.

College Notes.

The prospects for the next term at Ashland University are *very good*.

W. A. Welty, one of the theological students filled the pulpit at Mansfield last Sabbath.

Are you contemplating sending your children to college? Ashland University is the place to send them. It is a school of by and for the Brethren church.

The Literary Society in Pierian Hall is an interesting feature of college life here. The meetings are well attended and the performances are an excellent drill for the students.

The Musicales given by Miss Sadie Berkley in the college chapel on Thursday evening was a grand success in every particular. The attendance was good, the audience representing the best element of the town, and every item on the program was rendered with that ease and perfection which show a complete mastery of the subject.

The work in the college is moving along very nicely. The instructors in the different departments are kept quite busy and notwithstanding the fact that a few of the teachers have too much to do, they are yet doing very excellent work. One of the features of the instruction given in all classes, is *thoroughness*. There is no *surface* work being done.

Miss Sadie Berkley, Mus. M., director of the Musical department of Ashland University, gave a rare musicale at the chapel last Thursday evening in the presence of a large number of Ashland people. Miss Berkley is a musician of marked ability and fully demonstrated the fact by her performance last evening. As a piano player she has a clear and rapid touch and brings much expression into her selections. The pieces played were of a difficult character but were executed with ease. As a vocalist Miss Berkley is equally good. She is certainly the possessor of a very sweet, musical voice. The duet by Misses Berkley and Brenaman was exceptionally good. Miss Mae Newkirk very ably acted as piano accompanist. The audience was well pleased with the evening's entertainment.—*Ashland Gazette*.

We started to write about hard times, and slack business, and the difficulty of carrying on the work of spreading light and truth among the people; and here is where we come out—it is uphill business; but we will keep on in the same old way, and will pray the Lord to help in every time of need, and will trust in Him in every trying hour.